

In the
Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF THE)

APPROVAL OF A LOCAL RULE)

FOR STARKE COUNTY)

Case No.

75500-1108-MS-502

ORDER APPROVING AMENDED LOCAL RULE

The judge of the Starke Circuit Court requests the approval of an amended local rule for caseload allocation in accordance with Ind. Trial Rule 79. Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendment requested by the Starke Circuit Court, this Court finds that the proposed rule amendment, LR75-TR79-7 complies with the requirements of Ind. Trial Rule 79, and accordingly, should be approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that Starke Circuit Court Local Rule, LR75-TR79-7, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective July 1, 2011, provided further that the rule shall be posted in the county clerk's office(s) and on the county clerk's website, if any, and on the Indiana Judicial Website.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. Kim Hall, Starke Circuit Court, P.O. Box 395, Knox, IN 46534-1196; to the Clerk of the Starke Circuit Court; and to the Division of State Court Administration. The Clerk is also directed to post this Order on the Court's website.

The Clerk of the Starke Circuit Court is directed to enter this Order and attachment in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Court, to post this Order and attachment for examination by the Bar and the general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 17th day of August, 2011.

Randall T. Shepard ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE
Chief Justice of Indiana

LR75-TR79-7
SPECIAL JUDGES

- 1.1 In all civil cases, when the appointment of a special judge is required under Trial Rule 76, or upon disqualification or recusal of the Judge of the Starke Circuit Court, the parties shall comply with Trial Rule 79.
- 1.2 The Magistrate of the Starke Circuit Court may be an “eligible special judge” provided for in Trial Rule 79(D) and (E).
- 1.3 In the event that a special judge is required due to a change of judge under Trial Rule 76, and a special judge is not selected under Trial Rule 79(D) or (E), then a panel shall be named pursuant to Trial Rule 79(F). The panel that is named shall be the next panel of judges on the following list:

Panel 1: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Circuit Court
Panel 2: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Superior Court #1
Panel 3: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Superior Court #2
Panel 4: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Superior Court #3
Panel 5: Pulaski Circuit Court / Pulaski Superior Court / La Porte Superior Court #4
- 1.4 In the event a special judge is required due to the disqualification or recusal of a judge under Trial Rule 79 (C), and a special judge is not selected as provided in Trial Rules (D) or (E), then a special judge shall be selected pursuant to Trial Rule 79 (H).
- 1.5 In the event that Trial Rule 79(H) is applicable, the clerk of the court shall appoint a special judge from the following list of presiding judges in the respective courts, on a rotating basis:

Pulaski Circuit Court
Pulaski Superior Court
- 1.6 If a special judge cannot be selected using the procedure set out above, then the judge in the case shall certify the same to the Indiana Supreme Court for appointment of a special judge.